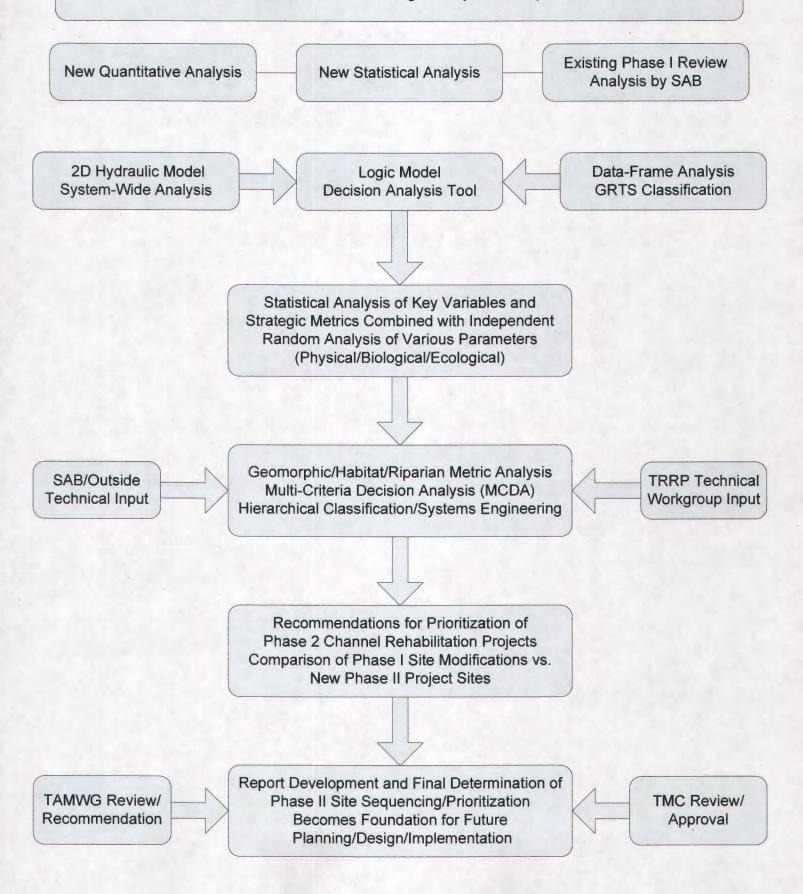
TRRP Phase II Strategic Planning Process Multi-Criteria Decision Analysis (MCDA) Prioritization



Trinity River Restoration Program (TRRP) - Phase II Implementation Planning & Analysis

Background: The TRRP has been implementing Channel Rehabilitation projects sites along the Trinity River's 40 mile restoration reach since 2005 under the authorization of the Record of Decision signed by Secretary of Interior in December 2000. The first phase of projects (Phase I) were implemented between 2005 and 2010 (Hocker Flat – 2005 and Lowden Ranch/Trinity House Gulch/Reading Creek – 2010). The Second Phase of implementation activities began in 2011 (Phase II) with the construction of the Wheel Gulch project. There are approximately five projects defined by specific Environmental Site Limits (ESL's) that has now been completed in Phase II with approximately 17 ESL's still remaining. A robust scientific review of the TRRP's Phase I Channel Rehabilitation projects was conducted during 2012/13 and draft results are still pending. More detailed background information can be found in the "Phase I Review" draft documents/analyses - provided upon request.

Purpose/Goal/Objective: To develop a comprehensive Phase II Implementation Plan that would guide the design and construction sequencing priorities of the remaining Phase II project sites or give rationale on if the program should go back to existing project sites for re-design. The plan would use a quantitative approach to combine detailed 2D hydraulic modeling, biological factors, and a comprehensive logic model to evaluate temporal and spatial sequencing of remaining projects. The final product will be a report that would detail approach/methodology, analyses, and give detailed recommendations for sequencing future project sites.

Scope: The analytical approach of the project will be the following:

- 1) Build 2D hydraulic model of the 40 Mile Trinity River Reach
- 2) Evaluate various key flows through the model (physical, biological, and ecological)
- 3) Evaluate key metrics for geomorphic process, rearing habitat (HSC), and riparian function at index flows using 2D system wide hydraulic model.
- 4) Build accompanying logic model with the following attributes:
 - Projects in relation to other biological factors including: adult holding/spawning
 - Ownership (public vs. private)
 - Height Above River Factors Topography Constraints/Opportunities
 - Projects Spatial Relation to each other
 - Projects Cost/Benefit Ratio (Biological/Geomorphic Potential vs. How much level of effort to construct the habitat – Volume of Earth to remove tailings – relate to cost)
 - Other Factors
- 5) Evaluate hydraulic model results with logic model and robust statistical analysis to determine the optimal project sequencing and priority for future implementation.

Timeline/Deliverables:

- Develop project approach and analysis plan November/December 2013
- 2D Hydraulic Model Development –November / December 2013
- Logic Model Development –December/January 2013/2014
- Initial Internal /External Review January/February 2014
- Analysis and Report Recommendations January/February 2014
- Report Review and Editing (Internal/External) March/April 2014
- Final Recommendations by SAB & TAMWG / Approval by TMC April/May 2014

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Phase II Strategic Planning and Analysis

- Model Flows: 300, 450, 1000, 2000, 4500, 6000, 8500, 11000 CFS
- Note: All Variables Calculated for Each Modeled Flows per 200meter GRTS Panel

General Channel Geometry/Hydraulic Variables:

- 1) Mean X-sectional Area
- 2) Mean Wetted Width
- 3) Mean Hydraulic Radius
- 4) Total Plan-form Wetted Area
- 5) Mean Depth
- 6) Mean Velocity Magnitude
- 7) Sinuosity
- 8) Mean Velocity % Directional Variance
- 9) Mean Height Above Water Surface (HAWS) Left/Right Bank @ 300ft Off River Centerline

Key Physical/Geomorphic Metrics:

- 1) Mean/Divergent Sheer Stress
- 2) Unit Stream Power

Key Biological/Habitat Metrics:

- 1) Pre-Smolt Rearing Habitat (m^2-days); Depth & Velocity HSC
- 2) Fry Rearing Habitat (m^2-days); Depth & Velocity HSC

Key Ecological/Riparian Metrics:

- 1) Total Area that is 1ft to 4ft above the 450 cfs base flow
- 2) Total Area that is 1ft to 4ft. Above 4500 cfs index flow

Existing Data-Frame Variables:

- 1) Spawning (REDDs)
- 2) Bedrock
- 3) Large Wood (Cover)
- 4) Mapped Habitat
- 5) Distance from Dam
- 6) River Mile
- 7) Riparian Berm Location
- 8) Carcass data

Other Potential Data or Variables

- 1) Land Ownership
- 2) Distance to Pools Greater than 8Ft Depth (Holding)
- 3) USGS Geomorphic Mapping
- 4) Other

Final Relationship for Prioritization

Environmental Site Limit - ESL (Project Boundaries)

